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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
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FOR: DNA ENCODING SUCROSE PTS ENZYME II

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Communication apparently dated September 24, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit herewith an amendment, Substitute Sequence Listing, and a substitute computer-readable Sequence Listing.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 29, after the last line, on the next page, please delete the Sequence Listing filed May 13, 2002, and insert the Substitute Sequence Listing attached hereto.

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 are pending.

Applicants received the attached Communication from the USPTO with a fully torn cover sheet. Therefore, Applicants were unaware of the due date for replying to the Communication. Thereafter, Applicants attempted to contact Mark Spencer at the USPTO to